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Vision for Kanab Trails

The vision for the Kanab City Trail System is included with the vision statement in Chapter 1, page 2 of this plan. The system is being designed to ensure that trails will connect individual neighborhoods within the city and will be the linking system between City parks and open spaces, as well as regional parks, reserves and facilities.

It is the intent of this plan that Kanab City will become known for its quality trails system, linking all parks in the community. The trails system will make a significant contribution to the quality of life enjoyed by Kanab residents and visitors.

Types of Trails

Natural trails are not paved. They are primitive paths, usually having a minimum width of 3 to 4 feet, and are intended for pedestrian and mountain bike use, created in the existing dirt and rock environment. Some natural trails share use with equestrian riding, while others are created specifically for horses. They are usually in open natural areas, not following roadways, although occasional parallels occur.

Paved Paths are developed with a hard surface of pavement or concrete. The trails are intended for use by both bicyclists and pedestrians. They should be 10 feet wide and built to the standards of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) for a Class I Bike Path

<u>Bike Lanes</u> utilize vehicle roadways for use by bicyclists only to access

local facilities and connect to other trails. These lanes and routes should be developed according to AASHTO bikeway standards:



Figure 1

Class II Bike Lanes - Striped lanes adjacent to the curb on a roadway.

Class III Bike Routes - An existing street that is signed for on-street bicycle use.

Trails System

A system of an existing and potential trails plan is shown on the Master Plan Map in Chapter 3. This system incorporates 1) natural trails for pedestrians, equestrians and mountain bikes, 2) paved bike and pedestrian paths, and 3) bike lanes. Future trails planning should also be coordinated with Appendix "A", Kanab City Transportation Master Plan Map.

Natural Open Spaces and Cliffs

The abundance of natural open spaces around Kanab provides opportunities for natural, equestrian and paved bike / pedestrian trails which can connect into the Kanab Trail System. Natural areas with existing or planned trails include Kanab Creek, the cliffs north and west of town, and the Jackson Reservoir area.



Exhibit 1 Existing and Planned Recreational Trails

| # | Name | Туре | Status |
|----|---|-------------------------------|----------------|
| 1 | Squaw Trail | Natural trail | Existing |
| 2 | Tom's Canyon Trail | Natural trail | Existing |
| 3 | Tom's Canyon / Squaw Trail Loop | Natural trail | Existing |
| 4 | Pugh Canyon Trail | Natural trail | Existing |
| 5 | Golf Course Rim / K-Hill Trail | Natural trail | Partial trail |
| 6 | Bunting Trail | Natural trail | Existing |
| 7 | Levi Stewart / Solaredas Trails | Natural trail | Planned |
| 8 | Cottonwood Canyon Trail | Natural trail | Planned |
| 9 | Southwest Connector Trail | Natural / paved trail | Planned |
| 10 | Trail Canyon Trail | Natural trail | Planned |
| 11 | Kanab Creek Trail | Paved bike and pedestrian | Planned |
| 12 | Jackson Reservoir Trail | Paved bike and pedestrian | Planned |
| 13 | East Canal Trail | Paved bike and pedestrian | Planned |
| 14 | Southern Connector Trail | Paved bike and pedestrian | Planned |
| 15 | Kanab Creek Drive Trail | Paved bike and pedestrian | Planned |
| 16 | Stansfield Drive Connector Trail | Paved bike and pedestrian | Planned |
| 17 | Powell Drive Trail | Paved bike and pedestrian | Planned |
| 18 | Highway 89 Downtown Trail | Bike lanes and sidewalk | Some sidewalks |
| 19 | Main Street Downtown Trail | Bike lanes and sidewalk | Some sidewalks |
| 20 | 300 East / Old Canal Downtown Trail | Bike lanes and sidewalk | Planned |
| 21 | 300 North / La Estancia Downtown Trail | Bike lanes and sidewalk | Planned |
| 22 | 200 North Downtown Trail | Bike lanes and sidewalk | Planned |
| 23 | 300 South Downtown Trail | Bike lanes and sidewalk | Planned |
| 24 | Southern BLM Lands Mountain Bike Trails | Dirt roads and natural trails | Existing |

Community Trails

Some community trails are recommended to be developed adjacent to roadways. Roadways with recommended adjacent trails include Highway 11/ 89, as well as some Kanab Creek Ranchos area streets.

Street-Side Bikeways

Bike lanes or routes, with adjacent side-walks, are recommended along several streets in the downtown area.



 $\label{eq:Figure 2 - Trailhead for Squaw\ Trail} \textbf{Figure\ 2 - Trailhead\ for\ Squaw\ Trail}$

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Trailheads

An important feature of the Kanab City Trail System is the network of trailhead parks at various locations throughout the city.

Trailhead parks are planned to provide an information kiosk, with maps and other materials. Other features that should be included at trailheads are covered tables and benches and a drinking fountain. Key or heavily used locations should also include restrooms. Landscaping should reflect the nature of the area, in some locations shade trees might be desirable. See Exhibits 2-5 below for recommended trailhead facilities.

Some trailhead improvements exist while others are planned at the start of the natural trails as listed above in Exhibit 1. Other trailhead or mini-park improvements are planned along the trail alignments for the Kanab Creek and Jackson Reservoir trails.

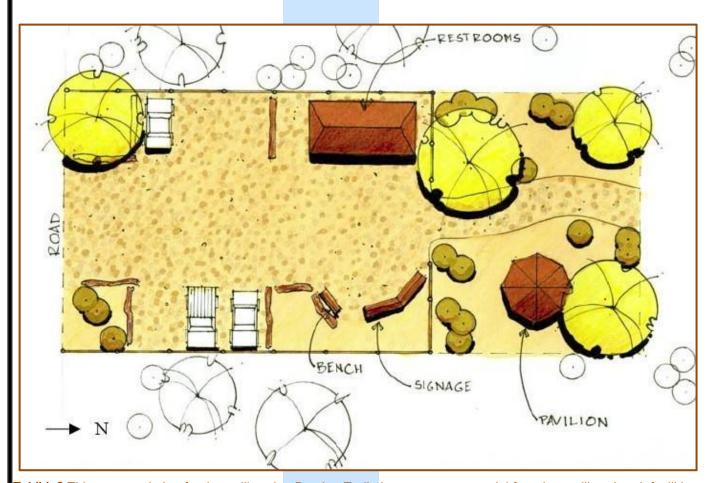


Exhibit 2 This proposed plan for the trailhead at Bunting Trail also serves as a model for other trailhead park facilities.

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Exhibit 3 Conceptual restrooms using sandstore rock

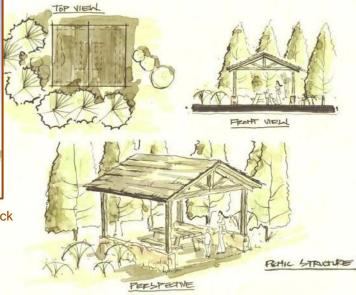
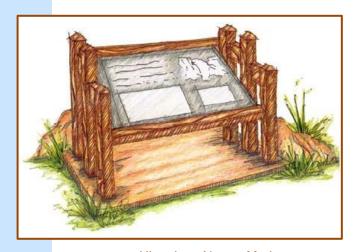


Exhibit 4 Conceptual picnic pavilion

Exhibit 5 Conceptual trail and trailhead features



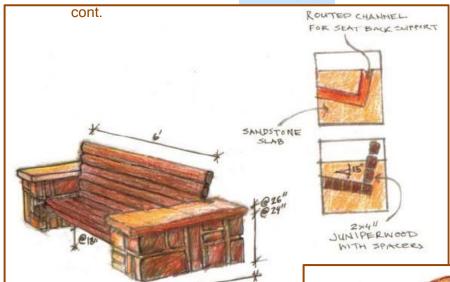
Information Kiosk



Historic or Nature Marker

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Exhibit 5 Conceptual trail and trailhead features



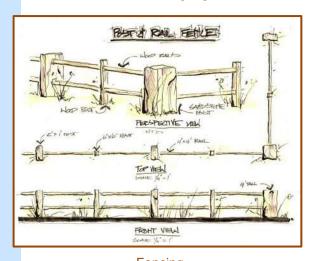
Sandstone Bench



Sandstone Trash Bin



Trail Rock Signage



Fencing

Type:

Length:

Start:

Hike Time:

Altitude Gain:

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Natural Trails

1. SQUAW TRAIL

Squaw Trail is located on the north end of Kanab near Jacob Hamblin Park. Parking and limited facilities are available near the trail. The trail travels

from the elevation of the city up to the red rock rim north of Kanab, affording spectacular views of the town and surrounding areas.

Access: Parking near the trailhead is available next to the ball fields, north of Jacob Hamblin Park. Take the dirt trail that leads north over the berm from the northeast corner of the parking lot past the trail name sign. Follow the trail toward the canyon, and you will soon come to the trailhead area where there is an information kiosk. The kiosk panel shown below is an example of the format that should be used at the other Kanab trailheads.

<u>Hike Description</u>: The trail is quite steep in areas and you will gain over 800' in elevation. You can hike up and

back or continue on the trail and return on the Squaw Trail.

Loop or Up and

Up to 6 miles

1 to 4 hours

Over 800 ft.

East side of

La Estancia

subdivision

Back

Planned Improvements:

- Additional signage.
- 2. Linkage with trails to the east and west to create a series of loops.
- 3. Historic / nature monuments.



Figure 3



Figure 5 - View of Kanab from Squaw Trail

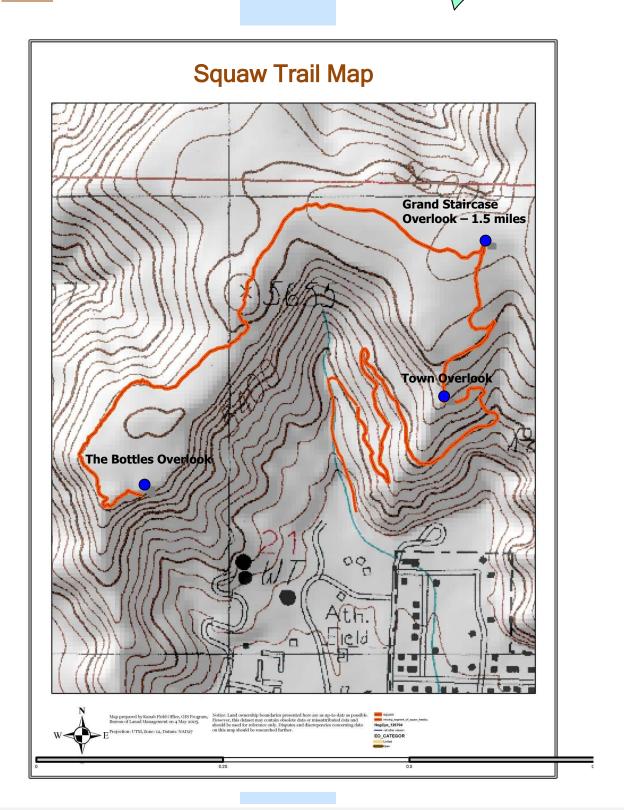


Figure 4 - Kiosk Panel for the Squaw Trailhead





Exhibit 6



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Type:

Start:

Length:

Hike Time: Altitude Gain:

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2. TOM'S CANYON TRAIL

Northeast of Kanab, Tom's Canyon Trail offers horseback riders and hikers an opportunity to experience the quiet,

unhurried calm of the red rock country much as that sense of serenity may have existed centuries ago.

Access:

Park in La Estancia Subdivision. Beyond the subdivision, head east toward the back of the canyon. You will come to a small canyon that forks off to the right. Look for the trail marker where the trail climbs up out of the main canyon to the north (left).

Hike Description:

Beyond the La Estancia subdivision, the trail follows the canyon floor which continues to narrow towards the back of a box canyon until it turns left up out of the main canyon with minimal altitude gain.

Planned Improvements:

- Improved access, trailhead facilities near the La Estancia subdivision.
- 2. Historic / nature monuments

3. TOM'S CANYON / SQUAW TRAIL LOOP

A connection between the upper ends of the Tom's Canyon and Squaw Trails follows an existing off-road vehicle (OHV) path to complete a loop of approximately 6 miles.

Access:

See access descriptions for either Tom's Canyon Trail or Squaw Trail.

La Estancia
subdivision

Hike Description:

The trail is quite steep in some areas, with a gain of over 800' in elevation. You can hike up and back on either the Squaw or Tom's

Type: Length: Hike Time: Altitude Gain: Start:

Up and Back

Up to 4 miles

1 to 2 hours

East side of

Minimal

Loop Up to 6 miles 1 to 4 hours Over 800 ft. East side of La Estancia subdivision Canyon Trails, or continue on the connecting trail and return on the other end. You should be familiar with both the Tom's Canyon and

Squaw Trails before attempting to make the loop hike.

Planned Improvements:

- Signage at the connections of the Squaw and Tom's Canyon Trails as they meet with the loop (OHV) path connection trail.
- 2. Historic / nature monuments.



Figure 6



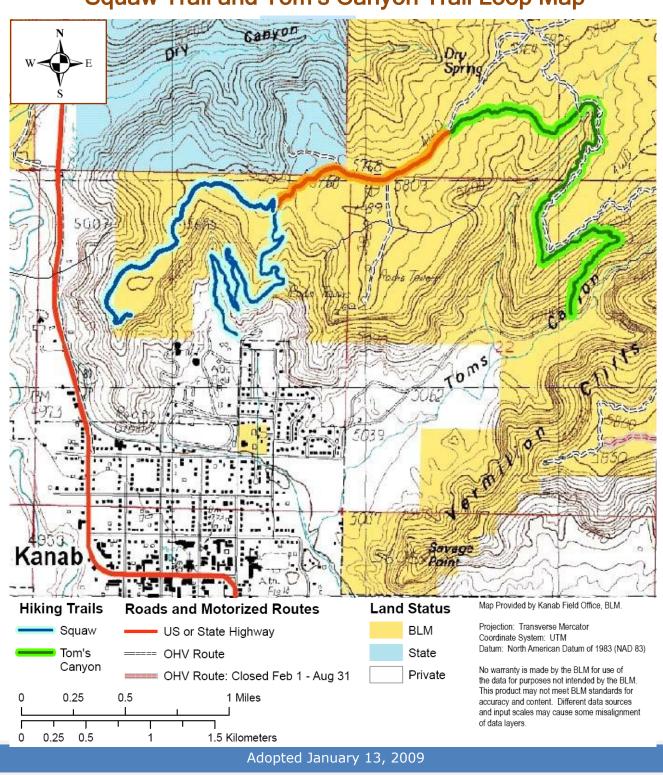
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Squaw Trail and Tom's Canyon Trail Loop Map



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4. PUGH CANYON TRAIL

Northeast of the Coral Cliffs golf course community, the Pugh Canyon Trail offers a wide

variety of scenery and convenience for trail users, including horseback riding, biking and hiking. Skirting residential development, public access for the trail needs to be secured.

Access:

Turn into the Coral Cliffs Golf Course from Highway 89. Turn right onto Fairway Drive and then right on Country Club Drive, and follow it to the end. Park at the area near the gate. There is a narrow opening to the right of the gate.

Hike Description:

Pugh Canyon is a relatively flat trail. There are a few sandy areas that make the going a little tougher. The trail follows an old road. The trail follows an old road to the back of the canyon which narrows to a dead end box canyon, with steep cliffs on both sides. There is potential of connecting with the currently un-maintained, very steep Skutumpah Trail that leads out of Pugh Canyon to the top of the Vermillion Cliffs.

<u>Planned Improvements</u>:

- Improved access and trailhead facilities near the Coral Cliffs subdivision
- 2. Parking for horse trailers
- 3. Improved connection to the Skutumpah Trail
- 4. Historic / nature monuments

Type: Up and Back
Length: Up to 4 miles
Hike Time: Around 1 hour
Altitude Gain: Minimal
Start: East End of Country
Club Dr.



Figure 10

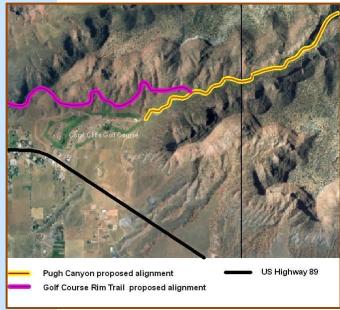


Figure 8



Figure 9 - Pugh Canyon

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5. GOLF COURSE RIM / K HILL TRAIL

Partly completed, the Golf Course Rim Trail is planned to connect the Pugh Canyon Trail to

Tom Canyon's Trail, passing below the "K" on the hill. It is planned to be used for horseback, mountain bike and pedestrian hiking. A trailhead with some facilities exists at the access point described below.

Type: Loop or Up and Back

Length: Up to 2 miles
Hike Time: Around 30 minutes
Altitude Gain: Some roller coaster

foothills

Start: At approximately 850

East Country Club Dr.



Figure 11

Access:

Turn into the golf course from Highway 89. Turn left on Country Club Drive and follow the loop around to the base of the Vermillion Cliffs. Watch for a small parking area on the north (left) side of the street. The trail starts up the hill and cuts to the right.

Hike Description:

You can walk as far as you would like and return on same trail or you can go to the end and return to your vehicle on Country Club Drive. The view over the Golf Course and to the south is great.

Planned Improvements:

- Additional facilities and signage at existing trailhead near the Coral Cliffs subdivision.
- Signage at the connections with the Tom's Canyon and Pugh Canyon Trails.
- 3. Historic / nature monuments.

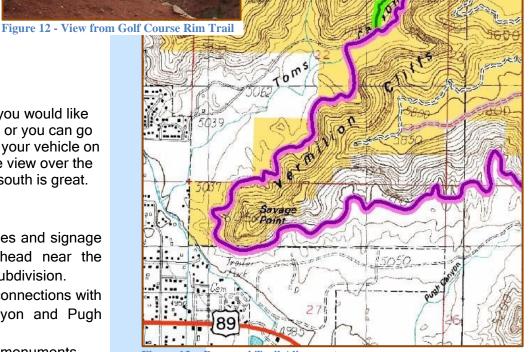


Figure 13 - Proposed Trail Alignment

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6. BUNTING TRAIL

Located on the west side of Kanab, the Bunting Trail offers access to the red rock mesas and public lands immediately west of town. Connecting trails from the Bunting Trail to the Kanab Creek Ranchos and downtown Kanab areas are planned.

Bunting Trail is an old trail built by the first settlers of Kanab. Cattle were driven up the trail to range land at the top of the cliffs.

Access:

The trail starts at a dirt parking lot at the west end of Stansfield Drive, and follows the natural drainage corridor to the north. After about one half mile, the trail starts to climb and gets steeper as you go.

Hike Description:

The trail heads to the top of the Vermillion Cliffs, with great views of Kanab and surrounding areas. The trail is not always clearly identified and may be hard to find if you do not stay on the trail.

Planned Improvements:

- A loop trail is planned by the Bureau of Land Management which will create a loop at the top, heading to the south and returning back to the existing trail.
- Trailhead facilities and signage at the existing dirt parking lot (see Exhibit 2).
- 3. Improved parking, horse loading area.

Type: Length: Hike Time: Altitude Gain:

Start:

Up and Back
Up to 4 miles
1 to 2 hours
Gets steep after
first mile
Follow Kanab
Creek Dr. to 1508
South, turn right
on Stansfield Dr.,
and follow to
wash bottom

4. Historic / nature monuments.

7. LEVI STEWART / SOLAREDAS TRAILS (*Planned*)

Two trails are planned west of the Kanab Creek providing a northern access to the west cliffs area. The Solaredas Trail heads north from Stagecoach Trail road, yet the alignment for the Levi Stewart Trail needs further designation through study and GPS mapping. A likely

trailhead could occur at Kanab Creek and Stagecoach Trail. A suggested alignment would take the trail west into Bunting Canyon.

Future development in this area should plan and provide for the development of these trails. Planned improvements should include trailhead facilities, signage, and historic / nature monuments.

Figure 15



Figure 14 - View of Kanab from Solaredas Trail

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8. COTTONWOOD CANYON TRAIL (Planned)

Located on the west side of Kanab, the Cottonwood Canyon Trail begins west of the Bunting Trail near the old water tanks, on west Stansfield Drive. A rough equestrian trail exists in the area, which will require areas of improvement to make it more accessible for pedestrian hikina. Following a southwesterly route from the water tanks, the trail eventually meets with an existing dirt road which reads north into Cottonwood Canyon. Connecting trails are planned from the trailhead at Bunting Trail to the Kanab Creek Ranchos and downtown Kanab areas.

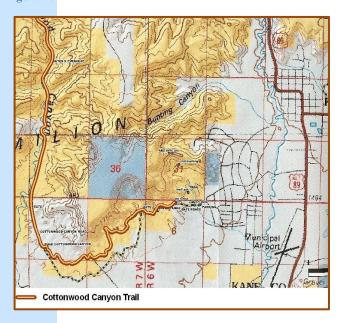
9. SOUTHWEST CONNECTOR TRAIL (Planned)

A connecting trail is planned between the Jackson Reservoir area and the future development in the southwest area of Kanab. The trail will follow the alignment of the Kaneplex road to Highway 89A, turn south to near the Arizona border, then turn west following the border and crossing Kanab Creek in conjunction with a planned future roadway. Portions of this trail may remain natural and portions may be paved. (See map on page 6-16)

10. TRAIL CANYON TRAIL (Planned)

Just north of town is a rough natural trail in Trail Canyon that was used for early local mail deliveries to the community of Kanab. A trailhead should be planned where the trail begins near Highway 89 and Kanab Creek. Improvements to the trail are

Figure 16



planned to make it more accessible for pedestrian hiking, and should include historic and monuments.

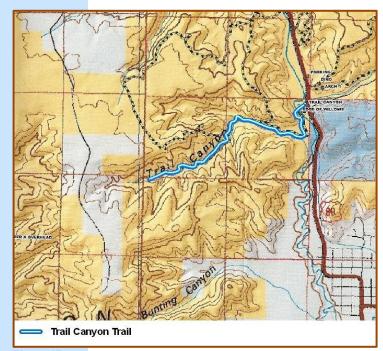


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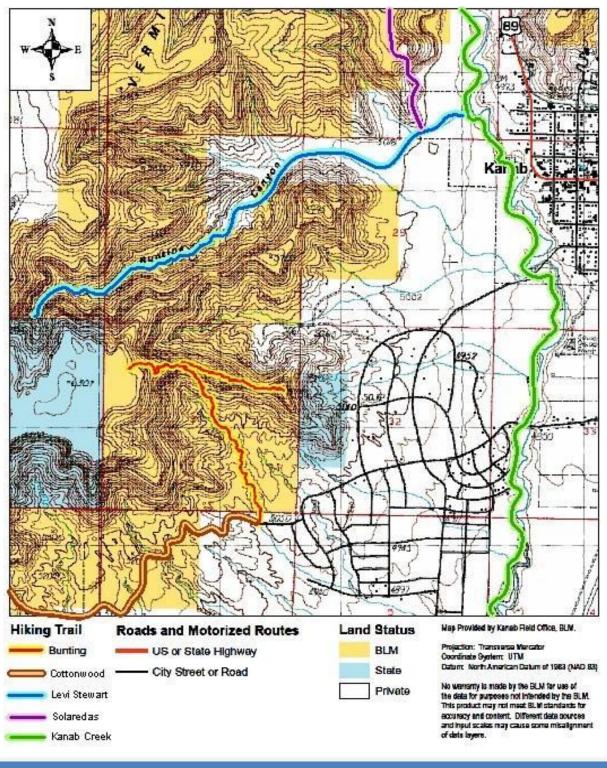
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Western Area Trails Map



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Paved Paths

11. KANAB CREEK TRAIL (Planned)

The Kanab Creek Trail is planned to act as a chief part of the Kanab trails system, making accessible a natural open space area for recreational uses. The creek is set within a beautiful corridor, with access to the downtown area, the Kanab Creek Ranchos area, and connecting Kanab to regional areas to the north and south of the community. Connections will occur with other trails, including downtown and Kanab Creek Ranchos street-side trails, and the planned Levi Stewart Trail.

Many opportunities will exist for mini parks and other recreational facilities adjacent to the Kanab Creek.

While the final alignment for the Kanab Creek Trail is to be identified by the developer or design engineer with the City's approval, the east side of Kanab Creek, on the flats near the steep banks of the wash, generally provides a good location. Aligning the trail on elevated areas or benches will help to avoid some of the more saturated areas. The trail should be placed, when possible, outside of flood zone areas.

Crossing the creek should be avoided to minimize the need for bridges. Three recommended trail crossings should occur where Kanab Creek meets roadways: 1) Stagecoach Trail, 2) Powell Drive, and 3) Kanab Creek. Examples of trail crossings at these locations are shown on Exhibits 8-10.

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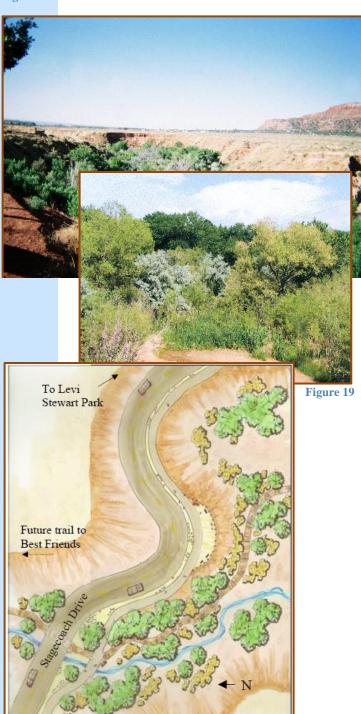
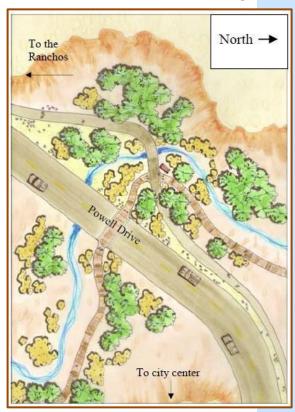


Exhibit 9 Stagecoach Trail Crossing

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Exhibit 10 Powell Drive Crossing



12. JACKSON RESERVOIR TRAIL (Planned)

A recreational trail surrounding the planned reservoir at the old Jackson Ranch south of Kanab, with a connection to Highway 11/89A to the west and the Kaneplex rodeo grounds to the south. The main paved bike and pedestrian trail could connect to several smaller natural trails leading to the reservoir and its recreational areas.

The actual alignment of the trail will need to be determined as the reservoir is developed. (See also Jackson Reservoir Park, Chapter 4, page 6.)

Exhibit 11 Kanab Creek Drive Crossing

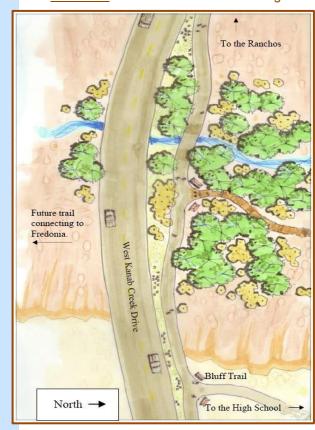




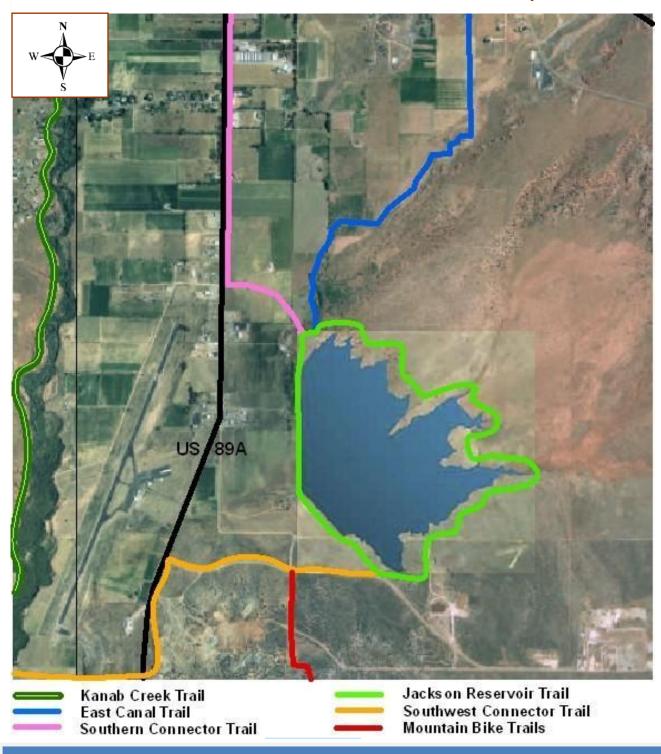
Figure 20 - Trail to surround reservoir at Jackson Ranch



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Jackson Reservoir Area Trails Map



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13. EAST CANAL TRAIL (Planned)

A future trail planned on the easement areas of the east side canal corridor, which will connect to the Jackson Reservoir area and Kaneplex to the south. The northern trailhead should be planned near Chinle Drive / Old Highway 89 road. Small portions of the trail are installed adjacent to new residential development near the canal. Some additional easements will need to be acquired to complete the proposed trail alignment. (See map on page 6-16)

Street-Side Trails

In addition to the streets listed here, all city streets categorized as arterial or major collector should be considered for street-side trail development. (See Appendix "A")

14. SOUTHERN CONNECTOR TRAIL

This trail is planned to connect the downtown street trail system with the future Jackson Reservoir trail and park. Heading south from the downtown area on the east side of Highway 11 / 89A, the trail would start as a street-side trail, with a sidewalk and bike lane, until it turns east at approximately 1400 South to connect with the Jackson Reservoir area, becoming a paved bike and pedestrian trail.

KANAB CREEK RANCHOS TRAILS

Traversing through streets in the Kanab Creek Ranchos area, and connecting to the park, this planned system of street-side trails will provide access to the west cliffs area and tie into the Bunting Trail. Trails in this area are planned as paved paths for

bike and pedestrian uses adjacent to the improved roadway. In most cases this is to occur within the public rightof-way, and should be separated from the pavement where possible. The following street-side trails are planned:

- 15. Kanab Creek Drive Trail
- 16. Stansfield Drive Connector Trail
- 17. Powell Drive Trail

Figure 22



Figure 21

Several street-side trails are planned through the central community, including along parts of Highway 89 and other city streets. Trails may include wide sidewalks and bike lanes and should be developed within street right-ofways. The following downtown street-side trails are planned:

- 18. Highway 89 Trail
- 19. Main Street Trail
- 20. 300 East / Old Canal Trail
- 21. 300 North Trail
- 22. 200 North Trail
- 23. 300 South Trail

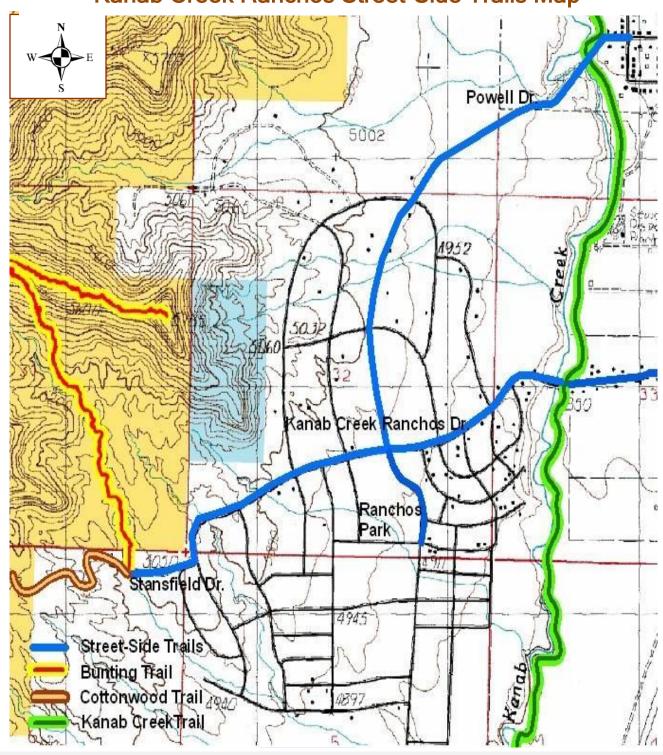
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Kanab Creek Ranchos Street-Side Trails Map



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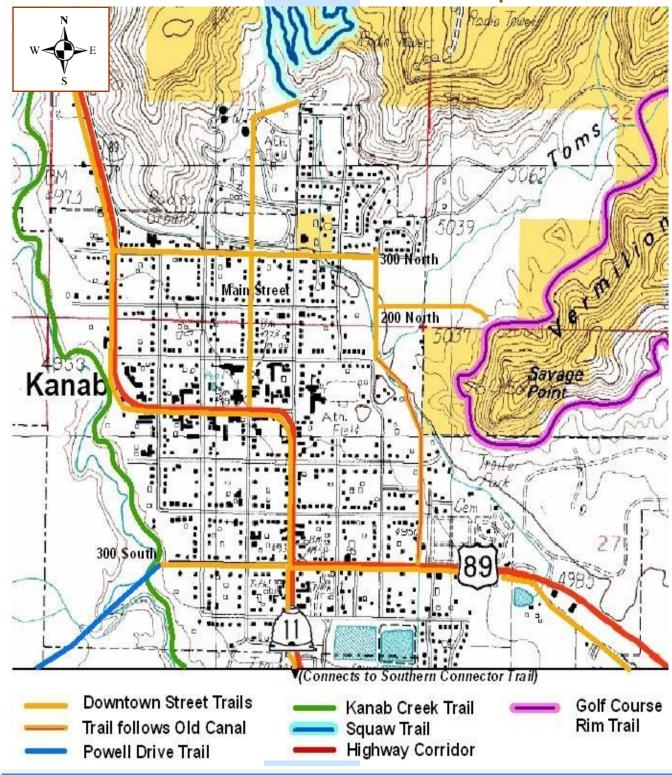
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Downtown Street-Side Trails Map



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Mountain Bike Trails

24. SOUTHERN BLM LANDS TRAILS

South of Kanab, several dirt road trails are accessible on lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management. These remote, yet easily accessed roads are hard packed and have a gravel base, making them perfect for mountain biking.

Access:

From Highway 11 / 89A, turn east on the Kaneplex road. Follow that road for a half mile to an intersection (the landfill sign is at this intersection). Turn right and follow the road south, then east. When you reach the fence, park and ride the dirt roads beyond the fence to the south.

Many more mountain biking opportunities exist throughout the area, on natural trails and open space areas surrounding Kanab.

Regional Trails

HOG CANYON

Hog Canyon, located 1½ miles north of Kanab, provides recreational opportunities for an "outback" experience with the convenience of being close to town. There are a variety of activities that can occur in the Hog canyon area. These activities include 4-wheel driving, ATV use, hiking, horseback riding, mountain biking, hunting, camping and wildlife viewing.



BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SANCTUARY

Best Friends Animal Sanctuary, located in Angels Canyon 5 miles north of Kanab, is an attraction and destination for many visitors to southern Utah. They have been working to



create trails open to the public that offer a chance to exercise and to see the natural beauty of the area.

Figure 24

Figure 25



Note: Future trails systems planning should be coordinated with the Kanab City Transportation Master Plan Map (see Appendix "A").